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represent who have some concerns are looking for direction. think the Legislature is going to provide them that with LB 975. I'm also in favor of the committee amendment, and I would share some of the same thoughts that Senator Smith would as far as the restriction that is maintained. Although it is more flexible, which I am grateful for, I think that there would be a better way and hopefully there's an opportunity to find that reality. Because I think, as Senator Preister pointed out, there was an understanding of what was being done when the original legislation was passed, and I think there was some comments made about who was involved in that previous process. understanding, and I have seen recent articles about this, that those that were involved in the process, when they have been informed of the impact that this has had on those facilities and in those areas of the state that were not intended to be addressed by the legislation but, rather, that it was a, if you will, a rifle shot to solve a specific problem in one part of the...the part of northern Nebraska, that they didn't understand the impact it was going to have on places like western Nebraska. And the testimony or the comments that I've heard them say is, if that's the case, we need to fix the law. And I believe those were the comments of our current congressman from the 3rd District, Tom Osborne, and I will do my best to get a copy of that article from the local paper where he made those comments. But he agrees that we need to fix the law on the cold water streams. I think the Legislature recognizes that. I think we can discuss what that looks like. Again, I think there's going to be some other ideas that may help, but I think this is a good step and I hope that the Legislature will be willing to have that discussion and recognize the impact that these policies may While they're trying to solve another problem, they may have. have some unintended consequences. So we truly understand the impact, and once we understand the impact I think it's our responsibility to respond to that and to address that. Mr. Lieutenant Governor, if I have any time left, I would be happy to yield that to Senator Louden.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: About 2, 40.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Thank you, Senator Erdman, and thank you, Lieutenant Governor. As I think Senator Preister pointed out,